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FOR AMBASSADOR FROM NEA/ARN HOWELL

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SUBJECT: STATUS OF FMS REQUESTS AND \$50 MILLION FY 78
SUPPLEMENTAL

1. FOLLOWING IS THE COMPLICATED CONGRESSIONAL SITUATION
WITH REGARD TO THE FY 78 \$50 MILLION SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST.

WE HAD EARLIER AGREED TO GO ALONG WITH A CONGRESSIONAL
REQUEST THAT THE SUPPLEMENTAL BE DEALT WITH IN THE FISCAL
79 AUTHORIZATION CHANNEL IN ORDER TO AVOID TWO SETS OF
HEARINGS ON MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO LEBANON. THIS WAS
PREDICATED ON THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THE AUTHORIZATION
BILLS IN BOTH HOUSES WOULD BE REPORTED OUT BY JUNE OR
JULY. UNFORTUNATELY, THE AUTHORIZATION BILLS WERE DELAYED
AND BOTH HOUSES DROPPED THE 78 SUPPLEMENTAL ON THE
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POINT OF ORDER THAT THERE COULD BE NO APPROPRIATION ACTION
BEFORE AUTHORIZATION. THIS IS A STANDING CONGRESSIONAL
RULE. WE ARE NOW TRYING TO RETRIEVE THE SITUATION BY
INCORPORATING AN APPROPRIATION INTO THE FY 79 BILL, WHEN
IT IS MARKED UP NEXT WEEK. IT IS CLEAR ACTION WILL NOT
BE COMPLETED BY SEPTEMBER 30 IN TIME TO SIGN A SEPARATE
FY 78 AGREEMENT THIS FISCAL YEAR.

2. YOU SHOULD BEAR IN MIND, AND TELL THE LEBANESE IF
THEY ASK, THAT THESE PROBLEMS WITH THE FY 78 SUPPLEMENTAL
HAVE BEEN PROCEDURAL ALONE, AND NOT REPEAT NOT SUB-
STANTIVE. WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO KEEP YOU INFORMED.

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